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FOR UNEF WORKING GROUP

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: NIGHT REACH: UN REQUESTS USG TO AIRLIFT AUSTRIAN
RATHER THAN NEPALESE CONTINGENT

REF: USUN 5435, USUN 5444

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1. AT URGENT PERSONAL REQUEST OF SYG, UN HAS REQUESTED USG
TO TRANSPORT REMAINDER OF AUSTRIAN UNEF CONTINGENT, AND

HAS DROPPED ITS REQUEST FOR NEPALESE AIRLIFT. GENERAL SIILASVUO HAS CABLED UN, ASKING THAT REMAINING AUSTRIANS ARRIVE ASAP. AIRLIFT WOULD BE FOR 210 TROOPS AND 120 TONS OF EQUIPMENT (WITH NO VEHICLES OR OTHER LARGE ITEMS). UN ESTIMATES APPROXIMATELY 8 C-130'S WOULD BE NEEDED TO DO THE JOB. ACTION REQUESTED: SINCE TRANSPORTATION OF AUSTRIANS WOULD BE FAR LESS EXPENSIVE THAN NEPALESE AND SINCE REQUEST COMES DIRECTLY FROM SYG, USUN STRONGLY RECOMMENDS THAT USG COMPLY WITH REQUEST. AUSTRIANS ARE READY TO GO, AND IF USAF WERE ABLE TO PICK THEM UP WITHIN NEXT DAY OR TWO, OPERATION WOULD BE IN STARK CONTRAST TO ABYSMAL SOV PERFORMANCE.

2. UN'S EFFORTS TO SEEK ALTERNATIVE AIRLIFT SOURCES HAVE BEGUN TO BEAR FRUIT. ITALY HAS AGREED TO MAKE AVAILABLE THREE AIRCRAFT TO UN BEGINNING DEC 15. (UN ASSUMES THEY WILL BE C-130'S AND THAT THEY WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PERIOD OF TIME, BUT DOES NOT YET HAVE DETAILS.) FRG MISSION HAS TOLD UN THAT PROSPECTS LOOK VERY FAVORABLE FOR PROVISION OF SOME "PASSENGER PLANES", BUT FINAL APPROVAL DEPENDS ON BUNDESTAG DECISION DEC 12. JAPAN HAS TAKEN UP UN SUGGESTION THAT IT MIGHT GIVE MONEY INSTEAD OF TRANSPORT AIRCRAFT, AND UN WILL BE ASKING JAPAN TO PAY EQUIVALENT OF AIRLIFT OF ONE CONTINGENT. (IN THIS CONNECTION UN HAS ASKED US TO PROVIDE THEM WITH AVERAGE COST OF TRANSPORTING A CONTINGENT.) UN'S PRESENT THINKING IS TO USE JAPANESE CONTRIBUTION TO PAY FOR US AIRLIFT OF EQUIPMENT TO BE PROCURED IN CONUS FOR NEPALESE CONTINGENT.

3. CONFIRMING JONES - LORENZ TELCON, SIILASVUO HAS ASKED FOR INSERTION OF INDONESIAN CONTINGENT ANYTIME AFTER DEC. 17.
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